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I. Findings

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2. The principal shortcoming continues to be the difficulty of accurately measuring the political and psychological impact of the Bloc programs within the underdeveloped countries. In particular, close attention should be given to:

a. The extent to which the underdeveloped countries are coming to believe that Bloc institutions and methods are a more effective means of achieving rapid economic development than are Western institutions and methods.

b. The effect of the Bloc programs upon the fortunes of the various national Communist parties.

3. In addition, further information on the role of CEMA in the Bloc economic offensive would be helpful.

II. Action

The appropriate IAC agencies are requested to take such action as they deem feasible.

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